UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA : AMENDED PRELIMINARY

: ORDER OF FORFEITURE

- v. - : AS TO SPECIFIC PROPERTY/

MONEY JUDGMENT

ROBERT CARBONELL, :

a/k/a "AZ," : 18 Cr. 648 (ER)

:

Defendant.

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WHEREAS, on or about September 11, 2018, ROBERT CARBONELL, a/k/a "AZ," (the "Defendant"), was charged in a five-count Indictment, 18 Cr. 648 (ER) (the "Indictment"), with conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute a controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(C), and (b)(1)(E), and Title 18, United States Code, Section 2 (Counts One and Four); conspiracy to distribute and possess with intent to distribute a controlled substance, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Sections 841(a)(1), (b)(1)(C), and Title 18, United States Code, Section 2 (Counts Two, Three, and Five);

WHEREAS, the Indictment included a forfeiture allegation as to Counts One through Five, seeking forfeiture to the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853, of any and all property constituting, or derived from, any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of the offenses charged in Counts One through Five of the Indictment, and any and all property used, or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit, or to facilitate the commission of the offenses charged in Counts One through Five of the Indictment, including but not limited to a sum of money in United States currency representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the commission of the offenses charged in Counts One through Five of the Indictment;

WHEREAS, on or about September 13, 2018, at the time of the Defendant's arrest, the Government seized \$75,858.00 in United States currency from the Defendant's residence (the "Specific Property");

WHEREAS, on or about February 20, 2019, the Defendant pled guilty to Count Four of the Indictment, pursuant to a plea agreement with the Government, wherein the Defendant admitted the forfeiture allegation with respect to Count Four of the Indictment and agreed to forfeit, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853, the following proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense charged in Count Four of the Indictment: (i) the Specific Property, and (ii) a sum of money equal to \$90,118.00 to which the Specific Property will be applied;

WHEREAS, the Defendant consents to the entry of a money judgment in the amount of \$90,118.00 in United States currency representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the offense charged in Count Four of the Indictment;

WHEREAS, the Defendant further consents to the forfeiture of all of his right, title and interest in the Specific Property, which constitutes proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense charged in Count Four of the Indictment;

WHEREAS, the Defendant admits that, as a result of acts and/or omissions of the Defendant, the proceeds traceable to the offense charged in Count Four of the Indictment cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence, with the exception of the Specific Property; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(g), and Rules 32.2(b)(3), and 32.2(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the Government is now entitled, pending any assertion of third-party claims, to reduce the Specific Property to its possession and to notify any and all persons who reasonably appear to be a potential claimant of their interest herein;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:

- 1. As a result of the offense charged in Count Four of the Indictment, to which the Defendant pled guilty, a money judgment in the amount of \$90,118.00 in United States currency (the "Money Judgment"), representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the offense charged in Count Four of the Indictment, shall be entered against the Defendant.
- 2. As a result of the offense charged in Count Four of the Indictment, to which the Defendant pled guilty, all of the Defendant's right, title and interest in the Specific Property is hereby forfeited to the United States for disposition in accordance with the law, subject to the provisions of Title 21, United States Code, Section 853.
- 3. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, this Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property/Money Judgment is final as to the Defendant, ROBERT CARBONELL, and shall be deemed part of the sentence of the Defendant, and shall be included in the judgment of conviction therewith.
- 4. All payments on the outstanding Money Judgment shall be made by postal money order, bank or certified check, made payable to the United States Marshals Service, and delivered by mail to the United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of New York, Attn: Money Laundering and Transnational Criminal Enterprises Unit, One St. Andrew's Plaza, New York, New York 10007 and shall indicate the Defendant's name and case number.
- 5. The United States Marshals Service is authorized to deposit the payments on the Money Judgment in the Asset Forfeiture Fund, and the United States shall have clear title to such forfeited property.

- 6. Upon entry of this Amended Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property/Money Judgment, the United States (or its designee) is hereby authorized to take possession of the Specific Property and to hold such property in its secure custody and control.
- 7. Pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n)(1), Rule 32.2(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, and Rules G(4)(a)(iv)(C) and G(5)(a)(ii) of the Supplemental Rules for Certain Admiralty and Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions, the United States is permitted to publish forfeiture notices on the government internet site, www.forfeiture.gov. This site incorporates the forfeiture notices that have been traditionally published in newspapers. The United States forthwith shall publish the internet ad for at least thirty (30) consecutive days. Any person, other than the Defendant, claiming interest in the Specific Property must file a Petition within sixty (60) days from the first day of publication of the Notice on this official government internet web site, or no later than thirty-five (35) days from the mailing of actual notice, whichever is earlier.
- 8. The published notice of forfeiture shall state that the petition (i) shall be for a hearing to adjudicate the validity of the petitioner's charged interest in the Specific Property, (ii) shall be signed by the petitioner under penalty of perjury, and (iii) shall set forth the nature and extent of the petitioner's right, title or interest in the Specific Property, the time and circumstances of the petitioner's acquisition of the right, title and interest in the Specific Property, any additional facts supporting the petitioner's claim, and the relief sought, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(n).
- 9. Pursuant to 32.2 (b)(6)(A) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the Government shall send notice to any person who reasonably appears to be a potential claimant with standing to contest the forfeiture in the ancillary proceeding.

10. Upon adjudication of all third-party interests, this Court will enter a Final

Order of Forfeiture with respect to the Specific Property pursuant to Title 21, United States Code,

Section 853(n), in which all interests will be addressed. All Specific Property forfeited to the

United States under a Final Order of Forfeiture shall be applied towards the satisfaction of the

Money Judgment.

Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the 11.

United States Attorney's Office is authorized to conduct any discovery needed to identify, locate

or dispose of forfeitable property, including depositions, interrogatories, requests for production

of documents and the issuance of subpoenas.

12. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this Amended Preliminary

Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property/Money Judgment, and to amend it as necessary,

pursuant to Rule 32.2 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

13. The Clerk of the Court shall forward three certified copies of this Amended

Preliminary Order of Forfeiture as to Specific Property/Money Judgment to Assistant United

States Attorney Alexander J. Wilson, Co-Chief, Money Laundering & Transnational Criminal

Enterprises Unit, United States Attorney's Office, One St. Andrew's Plaza, New York, NY 10007.

Dated: New York, New York

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HONORABLE EDGARDO RAMOS UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE